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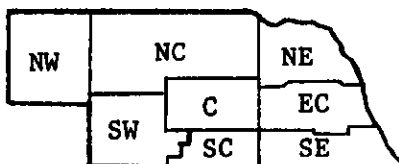
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WEATHER

Temperatures were cold for the period averaging 10 to 15 degrees below normal. Precipitation occurred the first and last portions of the period with snow receipts averaging 2 to 6 inches.

GENERAL

All fieldwork activities were brought to a halt last week as rain and snow fell throughout the State. The storm provided some much needed soil moisture and improved the winter wheat crop condition, but the accompanying harsh winter weather put added stress on livestock.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated adequate in 69% of the counties and short in 31%. Subsoil moisture rated adequate in 47% and short in 53%.

GENERAL (Cont.)

A year ago, topsoil was rated adequate in 75% and short in 25% while subsoil rated adequate in 70% and short in 30%.

CROPS

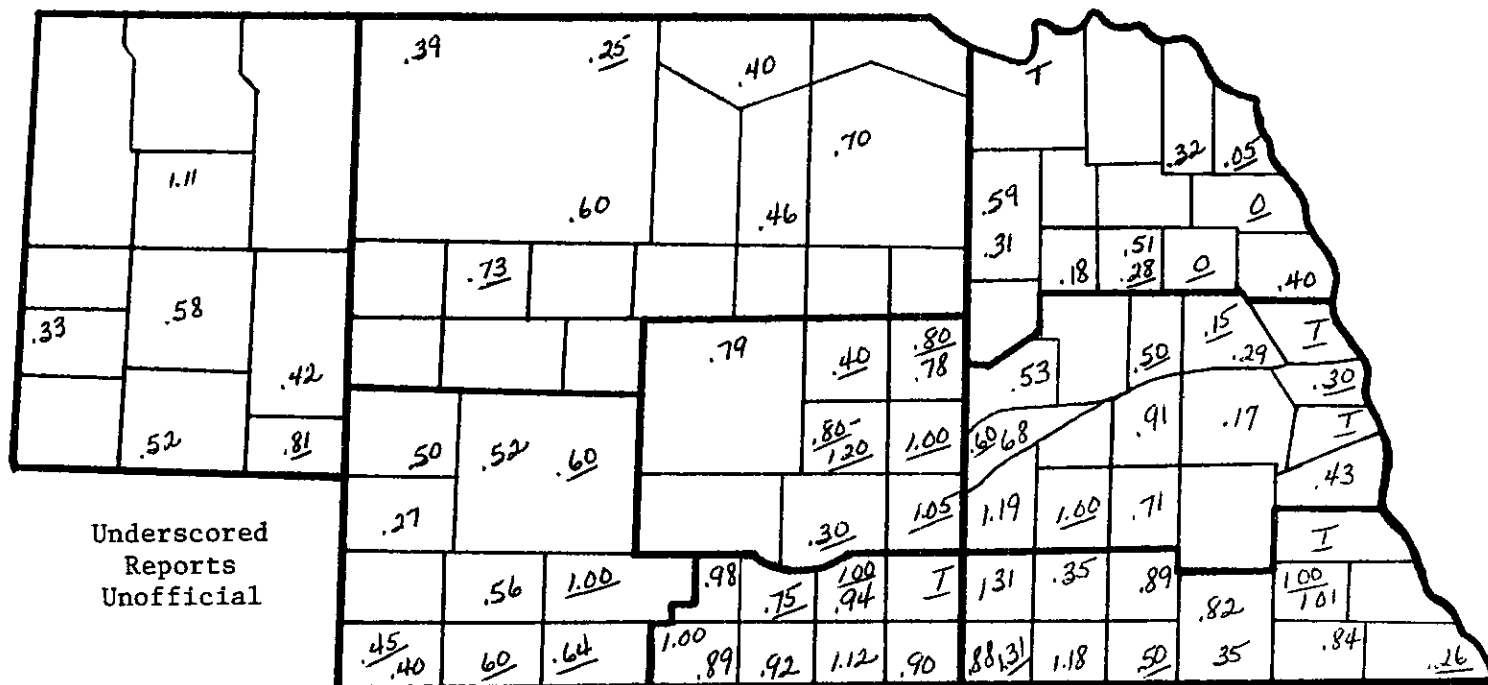
The winter wheat crop condition showed some improvement last week with 43% of the acreage reported in good to excellent condition compared with 69% last year. New moisture improved conditions in all areas of the State.

LIVESTOCK

Preparation for winter was active on farms and ranches throughout the State. Feeder cattle movement continued to have moderate activity. Ice, snow and cold weather put added stress on livestock last week.

Weekly reports are being discontinued and the report will be issued once a month until early spring. The next report will be released January 8, 1979.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1978



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1978

Station		Temperature			Precipitation	
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <u>1/</u>
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	38	-6	19	--	.55
	Scottsbluff	42	-10	20	-11	1.02
	Sidney	43	-6	21	--	.72
NC	Burwell	41	-3	17	--	.57
	Valentine	41	-9	14	-15	.53
NE	Norfolk	40	0	19	-11	.74
	Sioux City	37	0	18	-11	.48
CEN	Grand Island	39	-1	18	-14	.45
EC	Lincoln	40	4	22	-10	.25
	Omaha	43	5	20	-11	.42
SW	Imperial	45	3	22	--	.14
	North Platte	41	1	18	-13	.83

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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